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March 30, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
 County of Los Angeles
 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

ANNUAL CLEAN FUELS REPORT

The Board of Supervisors' Clean Fuels policy was adopted on January 10, 1995. The policy requires that by March 1 of each year, Departments shall report on the composition of their fleet and their progress toward the established 15 percent clean fuel vehicles goal.

Attached is the 2004 report for the Sheriff's Department. Our maintained motor vehicle fleet includes 5,042 powered vehicles. Currently, 90 or two percent of these vehicles are Alternative Fuel Vehicles (AFV). The report shows that the Sheriff's Department purchases a variety of alternative fuel types, including natural gas, bi-fuel, flex-fuel, propane and electric vehicles.

As you are aware, the South Coast Air Quality Management District, Rule 1191, provides exemptions to this rule for law enforcement vehicles. The definitions provide exemptions for the majority of the vehicles in the Sheriff's Department's fleet. However, the Sheriff's Department recognizes its role and obligation as part of government to evaluate the applicability and usage of alternative fuel vehicles in fulfilling our Department's mission. This includes striving toward obtaining the 15 percent clean fuel goal for appropriate vehicles. Our efforts are severely challenged by the lack of available funding. Additionally, our repair infrastructure (which includes 26 various facilities) is not setup for the maintenance, repair, or fueling of compressed natural gas or propane equipped vehicles.

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Our report does not include a category for gasoline powered vehicles that are considered Low Emission Vehicles (LEV) and Ultra-Low Emission Vehicles (ULEV) by the California Air Resources Board. Currently, this information is not in our fleet database. Our County repair contractor is in the process of updating our maintenance computer program to include this data.

Since the implementation of the Clean Fuels policy, there have been numerous changes in the fuel and automotive industries. Our Department's Fleet personnel continue to work closely with fuel vendors, automobile manufacturers, and the South Coast Air Quality Management District personnel and guidelines in the evaluation of alternative fuel vehicles.

Should you need additional information, please contact Captain Susan Kopperud, Communications and Fleet Management Bureau, at (323) 267-2501.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leroy D. Baca". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Leroy" being more prominent than the last name "Baca".

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SHERIFF

Annual Clean Fuels Report

Sheriff Department Vehicles

VEHICLE TYPE	Gasoline	Diesel	CNG	CNG/Gas	Meth/Gas	Eth/Gas	Prop/Gas	Propane	Electric	TOTAL AFV
B/W Emergency Vehicles	2502	126	1							1
Sedan solid (large)	574									
Sedan solid (medium)	755					40				40
Sedan solid (small)	169									
Van solid (passenger)	241									
Van solid (cargo)	199	6								
Pickup truck (solid/utility)	291	30		2		5				7
SUV solid (2x4/4x4)	98	7				5				5
Truck medium duty	33	28								
Truck heavy duty		57								
Miscellaneous Equipment	180	75						12	25	37
TOTAL POWERED VEHICLES	5042	329		2		50		12	25	90
PERCENT AFV	2%									